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A Christmas Chime.

Hail! Father Christmas, hail!
By the holly round your head,
With its berries coral red,
And the ivy vine that grows
O'er your venerable nose,
And the winning smile that plays
On your lips of ancient days,
We'll drink welcome to your coming
In cups of something humming—
Hail, Father Christmas, hail!

Ho! Father Christmas, ho!
There's a twinkle in your eye
That means plainly—"By-the-bye,
While the larder is replete
With the best of butcher's meat,
And the cellar running o'er
With wines of brands a score,
Could one be so mean a sinner
[illegible]
No, Father Christmas, no!

Ha! Father Christmas, ha!
Let us plot a little game,
If to you 'tis all the same,
How the needy we can cheer
With beef, pudding, and good beer,
And their children's hearts make merry
And their own divest of worry—
How shall we do this, how?—
Ah! I think I have it, now;
Now, Father Christmas, now!

Here, Father Christmas, here!
Load up your six-horse wagon
With all that you can tag on,
From the larder and the cellar
Of every good cut sheller,
And the purveyances hoarded
Of all who can afford it;
Then through the city rumble
And supply the poor and humble,
Go, Father Christmas, go!

THE DARK HOUR.

A CHRISTMAS STORY

"I can't stand it any longer, Jane; I'll go out, and perhaps something will turn up for us."

"It's a cold night, Robert."

"Cold, yes. But it's not much colder out than in. It would have been much better for you if you had married John Tremain," he said, bitterly.

"Don't say that, Robert; I've never regretted my choice."

"Not even when there is not a loaf of bread in the house for you and the children?"

"Not even now, Robert. Don't be discouraged. God has not forsaken us. Perhaps this Christmas eve the tide will turn; better days may dawn upon us to-morrow."

Robert Brice shook his head despondingly.

"You are more hopeful than I, Jane. Day after day I have been in search of employment. I have called at fifty places, only to receive the same answer everywhere."

Just then little Jimmy, who had been asleep, woke up.

"Mother," he pleaded, "won't you give me a piece of bread? I am so hungry."

"There is no bread, Jimmy, my darling!" said the mother, with an aching heart.

"When will there be some?" asked the little child, piteously.

Tears came to the mother's eyes. She knew not what to do.

"Jimmy, I'll bring you some bread," said the father, hoarsely.

And he seized his hat and went to the door. His wife, alarmed, laid her hand upon his sleeve. She saw the look in his eyes; she feared to what step desperation might lead him.

"Remember, Robert," she said, solemnly, "it is hard to starve; but there are things that are worse."

He shook off her hand, but not roughly, and, without a word, passed out.

Out in the cold streets! There would be their only home next. For a brief time longer he had the shelter of a cheerless room in a cold lodging house, but the rent would become due at the end of the month, and he had nothing to meet it.

Robert Brice was a mechanic, competent and skillful. Three years since, he lived in a country village where his expenses were moderate, and he found no difficulty in meeting them. But in an evil hour he grew tired of his village home, and removed to the city. Here he vainly hoped to do better. For a while he met with very good success; but he found the lodging house in which he had to live a poor substitute for the neat cottage he occupied in the country. He saw his mistake, but was too proud to go back, although it was his wife's desire they should do so.

But a time of great depression came, and with it a suspension of business enterprise. Work ceased for Robert Brice and many others. If he had been in his old home, he could have turned his hand to something else, and, at the worst, could have borrowed of his neighbors till better times.

So day by day he went out to seek work, only to return disappointed. If he had been alone he could have got on some way; but it was a sore trial to come to the cheerless room and his pale wife and hungry children, with no relief to offer them.

When on this Christmas eve Robert Brice went into the streets, he hardly knew how he was going to redeem the promise he had made little Jimmy. He was absolutely penniless, and had been so for three days. There was nothing that he was likely to find to do that night.

"I will pawn my coat," he said. "I cannot see my wife and children starve."

It was a well-worn coat, and that winter night he needed something more to keep him warm. Weakened by enforced fasting, he was more sensitive to the cold, and shivered as he walked along the pavement.

"Yes," he said, "my coat must go. I know not how I shall get on without it; but I cannot see the children starve before my eyes."

He was not in general an envious man; but when he saw the sleek, well-fed citizens, buttoned up to the throat in warm overcoats, come out of brilliantly-lighted shops, provided with presents for happy children at home while his were starving, he suffered some bitter thoughts upon the inequality of fortune's gifts to come to his mind. Why should they be so happy, while he was so miserable?

There was a time, he remembered it well, when he, too, suffered not the Christmas eve to pass without buying some little gifts for Jimmy and Agnes. How little he dreamed that they should ever want bread!

There was one man, shorter than himself, warmly clad, who passed him with his hands thrust deep in the pockets of his overcoat. There was a pleasant smile upon his face. He was, doubtless, thinking of the happy circle at home.

Robert knew him to be a rich cabinet-maker and upholsterer, whose ample warehouse he often passed. He had applied to this man only two days before for employment, and been refused. It was, perhaps, the thought of the wide difference between them, so far as outward circumstances were, that led Robert to follow him.

After awhile the tradesman, Mr. Grimes, drew his handkerchief from his pocket. As he did so, he did not perceive that his pocketbook came with it, and fell on the pavement. He did not perceive it, but Robert did. His heart leaped into his mouth, and a sudden thought entered his mind. He bent quickly down and picked up the pocketbook. He raised his eyes to see if the movement was noticed. It was not. Mr. Grimes went on, unheeding his loss.

"This will buy bread for my wife and children," thought Robert, instantly.

A vision of the comfort which the money would bring that cheerless room lighted up his heart for an instant, but then—for he was not dishonest—there came another thought. The money was not his, much as he wanted it.

"But I cannot see my wife and children starve," he thought again. "If it is wrong to keep the money, God will pardon the offense. He will understand my motive."

All this was sophistry, and he knew it. In a moment he felt it to be so. There were some things worse than starvation. It was his wife who said this just before he came out. Could he meet her gaze when he returned with food so obtained?

"I've lived honest so far," he thought; "I won't turn thief now."

It was with an effort he came to this decision, for all the while there was before his eyes that vision of a cheerless home, and he could hear Jimmy vainly asking for food. It was with an effort that he stepped forward and placed his hand on the tradesman's shoulder, and extended the hand that held the pocketbook.

"Thank you," said Mr. Grimes, turning round; "I hadn't perceived my loss. I am am much obliged to you."

"You have reason to be," said Robert, in a low voice. "I was very near keeping it."

"That would have been dishonest," said Mr. Grimes, his tone altering slightly.

"Yes, it would; but it is hard to be honest when one is penniless, and his wife and children without a crust."

"Surely you and your children are not in that condition?" said the tradesman, earnestly.

"Yes," said Robert, "it is only too true. For two months I have vainly sought for work. I applied to you two days since."

"I remember you now. I thought I had seen you before. You still want work."

"I should feel grateful for it."

"My foreman left me yesterday. Will you take his place at twenty-five dollars a week?"

"Thankfully, sir; I would for half that."

"Then come to-morrow morning, or, rather, as to-morrow will be a holiday, the day succeeding. Meantime, take this for your present necessities."

He drew from his pocket some notes, and handed them to Robert.

"Why, you have given me thirty dollars!" said Robert, in amazement.

"I know it. The pocketbook contained five thousand dollars. But for you, I should have lost the whole. I wish you a merry Christmas."

"It will, indeed, be a merry Christmas," said Robert, with emotion. "Heaven bless you, sir! Good-night."

"Good-night."

Jennie waited for her husband in the cold and cheerless room, which for a few days longer she might call her home. An hour passed; there was a step on the stairs—her husband's. It could not be, for this was a cheerful, elastic step, coming up two steps at a time. She looked eagerly to the door. Yes, it was he. The door opened. Robert, radiant with joy, entered with a basket full of substantial provisions.

"Have you got some bread, father?" asked Jimmy, hopefully.

"Yes, Jimmy, some bread and meat from a cook's shop; and here's a little tea and sugar. There's a few coals left. Let's have a bright fire and a comfortable meal, for, please God, this shall be a merry Christmas."

"How did it happen?" Tell me, Robert."

So Robert told his wife; and soon a bright fire lit up the before cheerless room, and there were four happy hearts that waited in joyful hope for the dawn of a "merry Christmas day."

The next week they moved to better rooms. They have never since known what it is to want. Robert found a firm friend in Mr. Grimes, and has an account in the savings bank, and has reason to remember, with a grateful heart, God's goodness on that Christmas eve.

The Famine in Russia.

The Russian harvest for 1875 is reported to be a more signal failure than has been known in that country for many years. The crop, it is said, has failed not here and there in scattered districts, but from end to end of the vast dominions of Alexander II. in Europe. An article in the Allegemeine *Zeitung* says:

"From Orel to Keim, from Tambow to Podolsk, comes up one universal wail from the ruined peasants and farmers. It is not a local lamentation like that which reached all hearts from the great famine in Samara; it is an absolute prostration of nearly the whole grain-growing region of Russia."

And if the accounts are true, what adds still more to the calamity is the fact that the failure of the cereals has been accompanied by a failure of the grass crop. The farmers having their fodder as well as their grain crops reduced, are selling their cattle at ruinous rates, and in a part of Podalia many are putting their cattle out to board for the winter on condition that in the spring for every head returned two head shall be retained by the landlord for their keeping.

It should be borne in mind, however, that the origin of these gloomy accounts is traceable to the Russian correspondents of certain German newspapers—a not always reliable source of information in matters affecting the present condition or future prospects of Russia.

Should the report turn out to be true, the fact will have great significance for grain dealers in America. In 1873 Great Britain alone paid Russia about $45,900,000 in gold, while the amount paid to America in the same year was about $60,000,000. Should the whole or a greater portion of this Russian supply be cut off this year, it will necessitate a much larger importation than formerly from this side of the Atlantic. Yet even if the agriculture of Russia is in as terrible a condition as reported, it does not follow that she will entirely disappear from the grain markets as an exporting power during the current season. Grain was exported from Ireland, it will be remembered, even during the height of the dreadful famine in 1847; and the internal communications of Russia are still so inadequate that there are doubtless districts, of southern Russia particularly, from which it will be more easy to export grain at Western prices to western Europe than to send it at famine prices to western and northern Russia. —*New York Express.*

The Petrified Forest in Nevada.

From David Rideout, who has been engaged in preparing a section of a petrified tree for the Centennial exhibition, says a Nevada paper, we learn the following relative to the petrified forest in the desert of northwestern Humboldt: On the plain, about thirty miles west of the Blackrock range of mountains, stands one of the greatest natural curiosities ever discovered in Nevada. It is a petrified forest, in which the stumps of many of the trees, now changed into solid rock, are still standing. There are no living trees or vegetation of any kind other than stunted sage brush in the vicinity. Some of these ancient giants of a forest which flourished perhaps thousands of years ago, when the climate of Nevada was undoubtedly more favorable for the growth of luxuriant vegetation than at present, rival in size the big trees of California. Stumps, transformed into solid rock, stand in an upright position with their roots imbedded in the soil, as when growing, measuring from fifteen to twenty-six feet in circumference; the ground in the vicinity is strewn with the trunks and limbs, which retain their natural shape and size. Mr. Rideout, determined to secure a section of one of these trees for the Centennial exhibition, with two other men spent twelve days in cutting it from the stump. This was accomplished by drilling all around the tree and separating it with wedges. The specimen is three feet high and eighteen feet in circumference, and its estimated weight is three tons. It stands on the stump from which it was severed, ready to be loaded on a wagon. Mr. Rideout does not feel able to incur the expense of bringing it by team to the railroad, though he had once made arrangements to do so. He is anxious to call the attention of the Centennial commissioners to the matter, and see if they will not furnish the means to get it to the railroad. The country in which it is situated is an inviting field for geologists.

A Legend of Servian Hospitality.

The hospitality of the Servian is illustrated by the following legend: The day had just departed, and the moon shone brightly over bare fields of snow, when a stranger entered the hut of a poor Servian named Lagare. "You are welcome," said Lagare, and turning to his wife continued in a low tone: "Luibitga, make the fire blaze and get the supper ready." Luibitga replied: "The forest is vast and the faggot burns cheerily on the hearth, but where is the supper; have we not fasted for two days?" "Are you Servians?" said the stranger, "and have nothing to give your guest?" Poor Lagare opened one cupboard, then another, but both were empty; not a morsel of bread, not a fruit, did they contain. [illegible] fusion took possession of him. "Here is food and fresh meat, too," said the stranger, laying his hand on the golden curls of Tanka, the only child of his host. "It shall never be said, then, that a Servian was wanting in hospitality," cried Lagare, and, seizing Tanka, he cut her throat as if she had merely been a lamb. After performing this awful deed he swooned away, and Luibitga fell to the ground with a loud cry. Who could describe the supper of the stranger? Toward midnight Lagare woke to find his guest bending over him, who said in a loud tone: "Rise, Lagare, I am the Lord thy God, Servian hospitality has been tried and not found wanting. Thy daughter is restored. Abundance and peace shall reign in your house evermore. Lagare, Luibitga, Tanka, live long and prosper!"

A Farmer and his Fat Cattle.

Franklin county, Mass., has long been famous for its fat cattle, but the forty-seven head now standing in the stables of George W. Jones at Deerfield go a little ahead of anything yet seen in the county. They are all Durhams, great fellows so large they can hardly move themselves, the heaviest yoke weighing 4,600 pounds, the next 4,400, and the whole averaging over 4,000 per yoke. They are fed eight quarts a day each of meal and bran, and all the hay they want; water is supplied to their mangers in pipes. Those now in stall will be taken to Boston about Christmas, when Mr. Jones will stock up for the winter, his usual supply being eighty or ninety cattle, 600 or 700 sheep; and about a dozen horses. Last year he cut about 350 tons of hay, all of which he fed out, and some seventy-five tons more. The cattle are kept in a sub-basement of the barn, which has to be well ventilated during the winter, else it would become oppressively warm from the number of cattle confined there. The sheep are kept on the floor above. Mr. Jones puts upon his own land, which lies along the west bank of the Connecticut river for half a mile, all the manure from his stock, raising twelve or fourteen acres of heavy tobacco every year, for which he gets prices considerably above that paid for tobacco grown by patent fertilizers. In fact, he is one farmer who has found out how to "make farming pay."

United States Bonds.

The secretary of the United States treasury called in the five-twenty bonds necessary to complete the exchange for the final subscription to the five per cent. loan. This loan is now brought up to the limit fixed by law, five hundred millions of dollars. It take the place of the same amount of six per cent. bonds, and the saving to the government in interest is five millions annually. The new bonds are payable at the discretion of the government after ten years from the d te of their issue.

The funding of the national debt was authorized in 1870. The various loans provided for in the law were five per cents., running ten years; four and one-half per cents., running fifteen years; and four per cents., running thirty years. During Mr. Boutwell's administration, two hundred millions of five per cents. were disposed of; and when Mr. Bristow took the secretaryship, there remained still unissued $178,548,300 of the five per cents., and the last of these have now been disposed of.

A Charitable Woman.

Passing down Washington street a Vicksburg lady was accosted by a poorly clad female who said:

"Give me ten cents to buy medicine for a sick child."

"Is your child very sick?" asked the lady.

"Dreffal sick, madam—has pains like the colic all the time; please give me ten cents."

"Dear me, I'm sorry for you, but I've only got a dollar, and I want that to buy a box of face powder. If you'll call at the house to-morrow I'll hunt up a recipe for colic and not charge you a cent!"

NOT WANTED.—A volunteer New Orleans reporter, who wanted "just to try his hand," he said, "on the graveyards," brought in the following: "Near the entrance of the cemetery stood the Grecian mausoleum of fire company No. —, its gorgeous and brilliant decorations showing that the gallant boys do not forget that their departed comrades are still bravely battling with the fiery elements in another world."

Three ballots of twelve given by a New Hampshire jury: 1. "Guiltee;" 2. "Gilt;" 3. "Gilty."

Facts and Fancies.

"Courtship is bliss," said an ardent young man. "Yes, and matrimony is blister," snarled an old bachelor.

In this dim world of clouding cares
We rarely know, till 'wildered eyes
See white wings lessening up the skies,
The angels with us unawares.

To know a man, observe how he wins his object, rather than how he loses it; for when we fail our pride supports us; when we succeed, it betrays us.

A New York rabbi states that he has recently admitted thirty-eight Christian male adults to membership in the Israelitish church. There was a marriage ceremony immediately after each case.

A few more years of war in Cuba, and the island will only need a whitewashed fence around it, and a few tombstones, to proclaim it to the passers-by the largest and best filled cemetery on the globe.

Many a good-minded mother has innocently warped her son's character by arguing that gray patches could be inserted into his black pantaloons without the other boys being able to detect the difference.

The county treasurer at Indianapolis has received in payment of taxes a $1 bill with the following indorsement: "Wm. C. Oreveling, St. Louis, Mo. the last of $30,000." This tells the whole story.

"What arrangements have you for extinguishing fires?" said Mr. Timidity to the landlord of a hotel out West where he proposed to spend the night. "There's a pitcher of water in every room, sir," responded Boniface.

One of the illusions is that the present hour is not the critical, decisive hour. Write it on your heart that every day is the best day in the year. No man has learned anything rightly until he knows that every day is doomsday.

A Boston collector of autographs has an autograph letter of the late Horace Greeley. No person to whom this letter has been shown was ever able to read it, nor could the owner, if he had not known what the answer to his own letter must necessarily have been.

The oth r day, when a Detroit grocer spelled sugar "s-h-u-g-e-r," a friend pointed out the word and remarked: "That word isn't spelled quite right." "Ha! I see," laughed the grocer, "one would think I had no education." And he crossed it out and wrote s-h-u-g-g-r.

A little girl in Washington cut her finger a few days since and her fond mother ordered John to run quickly and bring a doctor. "If one ain't in," were the orders, "leave word and go to the next." John obeyed orders, and twenty-one doctors called in course of an hour.

A farmer in Seymour, Ind., while examining his corn crib the other day, came across a small jug, whose mouth was stopped by the body of a rat which had tried to get in but had stuck fast. On breaking the jug, he found four other rats inside, all alive. The latter had evidently crawled in, eaten till their sides were stuffed out and then found it impossible to crawl out again.

The inhabitants of Ross, in Herefordshire, England, having presented a memorial to the home secretary, praying for the release of Emily Davies, aged thirteen years, who was condemned by the magistrate of the place about a month ago to a fortnight's imprisonment, and at the expiration of that time to four years in a reformatory, for stealing five shillings' worth of apples, have been informed that the secretary declines to interfere with the sentence.

Oregon has a new cereal which looks like wheat, rye, and barley, and is either of them; and the "leading agriculturists" of the State are puzzling themselves about it. Its history is strange. About four years ago a farmer living in Tillamook county, Oregon, killed a wild goose, in whose crop he found a peculiar-looking grain. He planted it; it multiplied wonderfully, and he subsequently raised forty bushels on half an acre of land. Its growth is peculiar, from seven to ten stalks springing from one root. The kernel is very thin and compact, of a bright straw color, and extremely hard.

In the last ten years 214 criminals have been sentenced to death in England and Wales, but only 108, or less than half the number, were in fact executed. In the year 1874 as many as twenty-six were sentenced to death, and sixteen of them were executed. In the thirty-nine years, 1836-74, there have been 432 criminals executed in England and Wales, or eleven a year upon an average. The largest number in that period was twenty-two in 1863; the smallest was four in 1871. There were 111 executions in the first ten years, and there were 108 in the last ten. If we go further back than 1836, we find very different figures; in the three years 1833-35 the executions were no less than 101, averaging thirty-four a year.

A DRAFT OF AIR.—When the air moves at the rate of two feet in a second, most people will be sensible of a draft, and if the air is cold it will be felt at a less rapid rate. Now a draft is where a current is felt, and in ventilating our rooms in cold weather the air should move through the rooms so as not to be much more rapid than this. In hot weather it may move more rapidly.

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H. F. Barbour - - Editor.

THURSDAY, DEC. 2, 1875.

It is an admitted fact that the repeal of the duty on tea and coffee has not had the effect to reduce the price. How do the free traders account for this fact? And what good reason is there for cutting off this source of revenue if the market price of these articles is not changed?

On the Saturday before his death Vice President Wilson was interviewed by the Washington correspondent of the Baltimore Sun, and gave his opinion, among other things that no Democrat can be elected President, and that Grant was very much misrepresented by the third term talk.

"Not one-tenth of the electors of the County probably ever heard of Chester B. King, until he came up as a candidate," says our philanthropic correspondent in another column. When the "wire-pullers" of the Republican party nominated Abraham Lincoln for the Presidency the first time not one in a hundred of the electors of the country had ever heard of his existence; and we believe Mr. Lincoln made a very good President.

A great man has died. Wm. B. Astor, of New York city, departed this life a few days ago. His life was spent in running and taking care of about $100,000,000 of property. Just few out of the Astor family will greatly mourn his loss, and the possession of his millions will tend very much to assuage their grief. His wealth was enormous, and his opportunities for doing good correspondingly great. He has now gone to give an account of his stewardship.

The effort to obtain government aid to the Southern Pacific Railroad scheme has assumed the shape of an organized movement. A Convention was held in St. Louis a few days ago, with delegates from all the Southern and Western States, and engineered by Tom. Scott, having for its object the encouragement and presentation of the subject in a direct and formidable shape. The purpose is to press the matter at the next session of Congress. As the next House of Representatives is composed very largely of Democratic members of the late Confederate army it is not supposable that they will seriously object to a raid of their brethren of the South upon the United States Treasury. It will be interesting to watch the course of those Northern Democratic members who have howled so continuously about Government subsidies up to the time of their unexpected election.

One of the most barbarous and reprehensible affairs of the time was the cutting up and chopping to pieces of the remains of the late Vice President Wilson. This was done within three hours after his death by a gang of doctors working in the "interest of science." These doctors, armed with hatchets, and saws, and butcher knives, proceeded deliberately to dissect the remains of their distinguished victim, doing it in a manner so thorough that in a very short time the body was scattered in pieces all about the room. It is a shame that such a barbarous proceeding was allowed. Probably it would not have been, except that his [illegible] in his domestic relations was [illegible] alone in the world. He was a widower, childless, and without blood relations. Yet somebody around the capital ought to have protected his remains from the butchers.

An intelligent Washington correspondent, after enumerating the few papers of the United States which have come out in favor of the third-term heresy, aptly remarks: "These papers are those that do not have half the influence of any country paper in the Northwest, with 'patent insides.' They are papers of the 'Free Lance' order, to use a phrase well known in the time of chivalry. To drop chivalry and come down to common sense and the present era, still maintaining the figure, too, they are Knights of the order of the Black Mail. And they manage to give some sensible statesmen, and not a few sensible private citizens, no little worry and botheration." The truth is that a third nomination of President Grant is a simple impossibility. If it were possible, his defeat would be perfectly overwhelming. The parties who are urging this thing might as well know the truth now as any time. These adventurers of ruin must step aside, and keep their mouths shut. That is the least that the country will demand of them.

The communication in another column entitled "The Martyr's Crown," is sent to us with the request to publish if we did not think it "too rough on the party." We do not think any party worthy of the name can be injured by candid, honest criticism, and will willingly give place to any well meant reproofs or suggestions from any true friends of the principles of the Republican party. "The party" has withstood some very severe shocks during its history, and we apprehend that it will survive the effect of the remarks of "A Liberal of '72." He is very glad that in the present shape of affairs, Mr. Thos. King happens to be the appointee to the Sheriffalty. So are we. Otherwise we with other "Straight Republicans" would not have assisted as far as was in our power to secure him the appointment. It was not because he was once a Liberal, or as a recompense for sharp political criticisms when he was so unfortunate as to occupy a place on the Democratic ticket, or, indeed, because of any family relationship, that we wished his appointment, but because we believed that in the Sheriff's Office, under the existing condition of affairs, he would be "the right man in the right place." The question of politics did not enter in the discussion of his appointment.

The Martyr's Crown.

A recent editorial in the MINER under the heading, "There's Many A Slip &c.," has called up a few ideas, which I propose to present as briefly as possible in this article. Let me say in the outset that I voted for Mr. C. B. King at the late election, and that personally I sympathize with him in his disappointment, but I cannot agree with the editor in looking upon Mr. King's triumph at the polls, as evidence that he was the first choice of a majority of the electors of McKean county for the office of Sheriff.

Mr. King and Mr. Melvin were put in nomination by the wire-pullers of the two great political parties, not because of their peculiar fitness for the office, but on account of their supposed availability. Not one-tenth of the Electors of the County probably ever heard of Chester B. King, until he came up as a candidate. After the Conventions, nothing was left to the voter but a choice between the two candidates. This choice was in some instances made on personal, but in most on political grounds. A vote for Mr. King said either I prefer Mr. King to Mr. Melvin, or I prefer a Republican to a Democrat, and VICE VERSA, "merely this and nothing more."

But it is a matter of great moment to the people of the County what manner of men shall fill its offices—a matter of much greater importance than the gratification or aggrandizement of any half dozen or dozen individuals, and if, as I verily believe is the case, the sheriff's office is in better hands, all things considered, than it could have been, had not "the organic Law stepped in to thwart the will of the people," I see no reason why we may not rejoice at the turn of affairs.

Besides if "Time at last sets all things even" there is to those who remember the campaign of 1872, matter of rejoicing that Thos. King is the incumbent of the most important office in the County. In that year Mr. King in common with many others in the County, and all over the land, thought that the election of General Grant was not advisable, and having the manhood to say what he thought, and do what he could in support of his convictions, he was reviled and abused by those styling themselves "Straight Republicans," for his alleged apostacy, and after his nomination by the Democratic Liberal Convention for the office of Prothonotary, no means whether fair or unfair, honorable or dishonorable, was spared by the Republicans to compass his defeat.

On the other hand, the Democrats professing to be disposed to deal fairly with the Liberals, and pledging their earnest support to their candidates on the ticket, privately traded them off for votes for the old line Democrats, who made up the most of it. No one who knew Thos. King believed that his course was prompted by any other motive than that of patriotism, or that he was inferior to any man in the County, in ability to discharge the duties of an important office with credit to himself and to the people, and I see no reason why good citizens may not rejoice that the stone the builders rejected has become the head of the corner.

A LIBERAL OF '72.

Citation.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE HELD BY JOHN R. LEE AND NELSON K. HOPKINS, TRUSTEES. CITATION TO THOSE INTERESTED TO APPEAR DECEMBER 20, 1875.

NO. 31, DECEMBER TERM, 1875.

McKEAN COUNTY, ss

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to S G Austin, M P Bush, J E Bell, Geo. Palmer, Theodore Butler, G N Burwell, T D Barton, Cadwallader Bell, E C Caryl, H S Chamberlain, Yates H Cowing, Charles M Clark, S W Crittenden, A B Cobb, Harry Dew, Joseph Dart jr., Jas. A Farnham, S D Flagg, Adam Good, M C [illegible], F Hadley, P Heimbach, jr., Wm A Hart, A A Howard, J C Harrison, Nathaniel Hall, Isaac McKinney, Thompson Horner, N K Hall, Harley Kip, A C King, P P Klemm, John T Lacy, H M Mixer, Jno T Noye, A P Nichols, L M Pratt, G A Prince, Thos Stephenson, O P Presbury, Henry Ramp, H W Rogers, Jason Sexton, O G Steele, Thos Savage, P L Sternberg, Thomas Sully, Edwin Thomas, E Timmerman, J F Thornton, D Tillinghast, C C Wells, Leonard White, J J White, E E Williams, James Wadsworth, Geo C White, Wm Williams, and [illegible] White; and to all persons interested in the real estate hereinafter described, Greeting:

Whereas John R Lee and Nelson K Hopkins, Trustees under a deed executed by Daniel Kingsbury and wife, unto them bearing date, the 15th day of February, A D 1830, have presented their petition to the Court of Common Pleas of McKean County, Pennsylvania, representing to the said Court, that it will be for the interest and advantage of those interested in the following described real estate so held in trust by them, to wit: All that certain tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the townships of Bradford and Corydon, in the County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania: more particularly bounded and described as follows viz:

Beginning at a hemlock tree at the southeast corner of Warrant numbered 3121; thence east 596 rods, more or less, to the southeast corner of Warrant numbered 3121; thence south 336 rods, more or less, to the northeast corner of Warrant numbered 3416; thence west 592 rods, more or less, to the northeast corner of Warrant numbered 3415; thence north to the northeast corner of warrant numbered 4209; thence west 345 rods, more or less, to the northwest corner of Warrant numbered 1919; thence north 2073 10 rods, more or less, to a post; thence east 345 rods, more or less, to a post, thence north to the place of beginning, containing two thousand acres, more or less, being Warrant numbered 3120, and the south part of Warrant numbered 1908; that the same should be sold, and the Court has fixed the twentieth day of December next at the Court House, in the Borough of Smethport, for the parties interested in the said real estate to appear; these therefore are to warn you and each of you, to appear at the day and place above designated, and you shall be heard.

WITNESS the Honorable H. W. Williams, President of our said Court of Common Pleas, at Smethport, the twenty-eighth day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

M. A. SPRAGUE, Prothonotary.
C. E. HACKWELL, Deputy.

Nov. 18, 1875—4t

L. W. CRAWFORD
use of
W. H. MANDEVILLE
vs.
THE McKEAN COUNTY [illegible] COAL COMPANY

No. 32, February Term, 1875.

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA, } ss.
COUNTY OF McKEAN.

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the Sheriff of said County, GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, Thos. King, that you summon The McKean County [illegible] Coal Co. so that they be and appear before our Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Smethport, in and for said County, on the 3d Monday of December next, to answer L. W. Crawford use of W. H. Mandeville, in a plea of Assumpsit. Damages claimed $15,000.

And have you then and there this writ.

Witness the Honorable H. W. Williams, President of our said Court, this 28th day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

M A SPRAGUE,
Proth'y.
per E. [illegible], Dept.

I certify the above and foregoing to be a true copy of the original writ in my hands.

ATTEST: THOS. KING, Sheriff.

Administrators Notice.

WHEREAS letters of administration on the estate of John Martin deceased, late of the township of Sergeant, County of McKean, State of Pennsylvania, having been granted to the subscriber, all persons indebted to the said Estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against said estate will make known the same to me without delay.

DAVAULT MARTIN, Administrator.
Sergeant, Nov. 3, 1875.

SHERIFF'S SALES.

BY Virtue of a writ of al. Fieri Facias issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of M'Kean county, Pa., I have levied upon the following described real Estate which I shall expose to public sale at the Court House in the Borough of Smethport on Monday, the 20th day of Dec. A. D. 1875, at one o'clock, P. M.

All that certain tract or parcel of land situate in the township of Bradford, county of McKean, and state of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit:—Beginning at a beech tree at the northeast corner of lot No. 232, thence west fifty-eight and 4 10 rods, thence north one hundred and 75-100 rods to a post on the south line of lands conveyed to S Walker, thence north sixty-two and 3-4 degrees east fifty-seven and 50-100 rods thence north 27 1-4 degrees west ten rods, more or less, to a post on the south side of the public road, thence by said road south 61 1-4 degrees east nine and 75-100 rods to a post in line of lot No 136, thence south one hundred and forty two rods to the place of beginning. containing forty four and 3-10 acres, more or less. ALSO,—One piece or parcel of land in same township, and village of Tarport. Beginning at a stake on the road leading from Tarport to Littleton on the south side of the road being the northwest corner of lot No 1, thence south 26 1-4 degrees east ten rods, thence west 26 1-4 degrees south six rods, thence north 26 1-4 degrees west ten rods, thence east 26 1-4 degrees north six rods along said road to the place of beginning. Containing sixty square rods of land, more or less, being village lot No. 2 and 1 2 of No 3. ALSO—Another lot, beginning at the northwest corner of village lot No 4 in the village of Tarport, thence south 26 1-4 degrees east ten rods, thence north 63 3-4 degrees east six rods, thence north 26 1-4 degrees west ten rods, thence south 63 3-4 degrees west six rods, to the place of beginning. Containing sixty square rods, being village lot No 4 and part of No 3. ALSO—One other lot or parcel of land in said village of Tarport, being village lots Nos 5 and 6, and east part of No 7, in Hogle's survey. beginning at a post corner on the highway leading up the east side of the Tunungwant creek, at the northwest corner of John F Melvin lot No 4, thence south 26 3-4 degrees east ten rods to a post, thence south 63 3-4 degrees west nine rods and seven and a half feet, thence north 26 1-4 degrees west ten rods, thence north 63 3 4 degrees east nine rods and 7 1-2 feet to the place of beginning. Containing ninety-four square rods and 149 square feet more or less. ALSO—Another lot or parcel of land in said village of Tarport, beginning at a post corner on the south side of the public highway, running up the east side of the Tunungwant creek, at the northwest corner of a lot conveyed to J P Clark by Charles F Melvin, on the 25th day of April A D 1865, thence south 26 1-4 degrees east ten rods, more or less, to a post, thence west 26 1-4 degrees south eighty-nine feet more or less, to a post at the southeast corner of a lot deeded to J F Clark by David B Anthony and wife, on the 6th day of October, 1864, thence north 26 1-4 degrees west ten rods more or less to the highway thence by the highway east 26 1 4 degrees north eighty-nine feet more or less to the place of beginning. Containing 12035 square feet, be the same more or less. ALSO—One village lot in said township of Bradford, bounded on the east by lands of E V B Dikeman, late of Emily Miller, on the south by lands of the said E V B Dikeman, also late belonging to the late Emily Miller, on the west by lands of W Snyder, and on the north by the public highway, on the east side of the Tunungwant creek. Containing one fourth of an acre more or less. ALSO—One other piece or parcel of land in same township, beginning at a post in the south line of the road leading from Tarport to Bradford, thence southwardly by land of Hiram Hazard two rods, thence westwardly by lands of Orson Hogle, now E B Dikeman, four rods thence northwardly ten rods to the south line of said road, thence eastwardly by said road, four rods to the beginning. Containing one fourth of an acre being village lot No 9 in village of Tarport.

All the above tracts of land comprising one property containing 47 acres, more or less about 25 acres improvement, having three frame dwelling houses, four frame barns, about thirty fruit trees, one small brick building thereon, and water brought to the house and in the yard in pipes.

ALSO—One other piece or parcel of land in same township, bounded and described as follows to-wit: Beginning at a post on the east bank of the Tunungwant creek, at a corner of land owned by Wm B Fisher, thence south 33 degrees east 60 rods, more or less to a post on the north side of the public highway, and at the corner of land owned by said Fisher, thence by said public highway north 63 3-4 degrees east thirty-two rods to a post on the north side of said highway, thence north 33 degrees west sixty and 3-10 rods, more or less, to a post on the east bank of said creek, thence up said creek to the place of beginning. Containing thirteen and 4-10 acres, more or less, being part of old lot No 127, and part of Warrant No 2126. All improved. One frame dwelling house one frame barn, one blacksmith shop, and about thirty fruit trees and a well of water thereon.

ALSO—One other piece or parcel of land in same township, beginning 37 rods easterly, by the road, from the east corner of E Barnes' lot, thence north 26 1 4 degrees west fifty-nine rods to a beech tree on the north line of lot No 127, thence east by line of said lot eight and 7 10 rods, thence south 26 1-4 degrees east fifty five rods to the Bradford and Smethport road, thence by said road south 63 3-4 degrees west eight rods, to the beginning. Containing two acres and 136 square perches, being part of lot No 127.

ALSO—One other lot or parcel of land in same township, beginning at a beech tree in the northwesterly corner of the last above described lot, thence by the said lot south 26 1-4 degrees east fifty nine rods to the said road, thence by said road south 63 3-4 degrees west fifteen and one half rods, thence north 26 1-4 degrees west fifty-one rods, thence easterly by the north line of lot No 127 seventeen rods to the place of beginning. Containing six acres being part of lot No 127.

ALSO—One other lot or parcel of land bounded on the south by public highway, on the east by land of J E Blair, on the north by land of J F Melvin and west by land of Wm Marlan. Containing three acres. The three above lots of land comprising one farm. Containing eleven acres and 136 square perches, more or less all improved having thereon one frame dwelling house, two frame barns, about 50 fruit trees, a few shade trees and shrubbery and a well of water.

ALSO—One other lot of land in same township known as the Hazard store lot, beginning at a post corner being the southeast corner of a lot deeded to Warren E Dodge, thence north 26 1-4 degrees west four and one half rods, thence south 80 degrees west two rods more or less to the road leading from P M Fuller's hotel across the Tunungwant creek, thence south 33 degrees east 4 1-2 rods to a post corner, thence north 80 degrees east 2 1-4 rods more or less to the place of beginning. Containing 11 1-4 square rods.

ALSO—One other lot of land in the village of Tarport, beginning at the junction of the Kendall creek road with the Bradford road, and on the east side of said road, thence south 26 1 4 degrees east ten rods, thence south 66 1-4 degrees west four rods, thence north 26 1 4 degrees west ten rods, thence north 63 3-4 degrees east to the beginning. Containing one fourth of an acre with a two-story frame building thereon.

ALSO—One other piece or parcel of land, beginning at a post corner two rods south 21 degrees west, from the spring run where the said Schoonover now brings water in pipes to his house, thence north 15 degrees west 3 rods to a post, thence north 80 degrees east two rods to a post, thence south ten degrees east eight rods to a post; thence south eighty degrees west to the place of beginning. Containing one tenth of an acre more or less, with the right and privilege of taking the water from the spring on land hereby conveyed across any part of the land of said Schoonover in pipes or otherwise, also the right to enter upon and dig and lay pipes or otherwise to carry the water at any time and place on said Schoonover's land without any let or hindrance and being part of lot No 127 in warrant No 2126.

ALSO—One other lot or parcel of land in same township, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a post corner on the east side of the spring run near the house of Lyman Cross on the south side of the road leading from the village of Bradford, down the Tunungwant creek, thence south 19 degrees east 16 rods to a post, thence south 63 degrees west 15 rods to a post, on the west side of the spring run, thence north 33 degrees east 15 rods, to the place of beginning. Containing one acre and six-tenths of an acre, more or less.

ALSO—One other piece or parcel of land situate in the township of Keating, county of McKean, and state of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at an ironwood on the east line of lot No 257 of the allotment of Bingham lands, in said township conveyed to Wm Halsey, thence south 70 4 10 perches to a hemlock, thence east 115 perches, thence west 114 2-10 perches, thence north 70 4-10 perches to the place of beginning. Containing forty-seven and three-tenths acres with the usual allowance of six per cent. for roads &c., be the same more or less. About 25 acres improvement, one frame dwelling house, one frame barn, orchard of about 60 fruit trees, and a good spring of water thereon.

Seized, and taken in Execution and sold as property of James M. Welch, at the suit of C. C. Melvin.

THOS. KING, Sheriff.
Sheriff's Office, Smethport, Nov. 20th, 1875.

BY VIRTUE of a writ of Fieri Facias issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean Co., to me directed, I have levied upon the following described Real Estate which I shall expose to public sale at the Court House in the Borough of Smethport, on Monday, the 20th day of Dec. A. D. 1875, at one o'clock P. M., the following described tracts or parcels of land, to wit:

All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of Eldred, County of McKean, and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to wit: Beginning in the public highway in the centre of the road at the northeast corner of lot No 2, now occupied by Wm. H. Boone; thence west to the easterly line of the B. N. Y. & Phila. R. R; thence north along the said Railroad four perches, thence east to the centre of the said road or public highway; thence south along centre of said road four perches to the place of beginning, containing about one fourth of an acre, be the same more or less, and being lot No. 3, of lands of Reuben Dennis, west of the main road, reserving the right heretofore at any or all times to remove the water privilege, and the shed that now is on the said lot of land, a good frame store building now being erected on said land.

Seized and taken in execution, and will be sold as the property of Tirzia Dennis, at the suit of Miller, Greiner & Co.

THOS. KING, Sheriff.
Sheriff's Office, Smethport Nov. 20. 1875.

BY Virtue of a writ of Fieri Facias, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of M'Kean county, Pa., I have levied upon the following described Real Estate which I shall expose to public sale at the Court House in the Borough of Smethport on Monday, the 20th day of Dec. A. D. 1875, at one o'clock P. M.

All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of Ceres, County of McKean, and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to wit: Beginning at a post in State line, being northeast corner of, Warrant numbered 4229, and being part of said Warrant; thence south thirty eight rods to a white pine; thence west one hundred and forty eight rods to a post on bank of Genesee Creek; thence up said Creek, north 41½ degrees east fifty and eight tenths rods to a post in State line; thence east along State line one hundred and fourteen and five-tenths rods to the place of beginning, containing Thirty one acres, more or less, having about one acre improved, and one board dwelling house thereon.

Seized and taken in execution, and will be sold as the property of Mary E Hazard and Charles B. Hazard, at the suit of Randall D. Tull, use of George Chamberlain.

THOS. KING, Sheriff.
Sheriff's Office, Smethport Nov. 20. 1875.

BY Virtue of a writ of Fieri Facias issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of M'Kean county Pa., I have levied upon the following described Real Estate which I shall expose to public sale at the Court House, in the Borough of Smethport, on Monday, the 20th day of Dec. 1875, at 1 o'clock P. M., the following described tract or parcel of land to wit:

All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of Ceres County of McKean, and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to wit: Beginning at a beach tree, the northwest corner of Benjamin Perkins' lot No. 142, thence west ninety six perches thence south eighty three and three-tenths perches; thence east ninety six perches thence north eighty three and three tenths perches to the place of beginning, containing Fifty acres strict measure, be the same more or less, being north part of lot No. 135, and part of Warrant No. 3446. About five acres improved.

Seized, and taken in execution, and will be sold as the property of David Morse, use of Susan H. Morse, at the suit of Joseph Karr.

THOS. KING, Sheriff.
Sheriff's Office, Smethport Nov 20, 1875.

BY Virtue of a writ of Fieri Facias As issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean county, Pennsylvania, I have levied upon the following described real estate which I shall expose to public sale at the Court House in the Borough of Smethport, on Monday, the 20th day of Dec 1875, at one o'clock P. M., the following property to wit:

All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of Eldred, County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to wit: Beginning at a post on the north bank of Newell Creek in the west line of land surveyed to John Connor, thence south 84½ degrees west two hundred and twenty three perches to a post corner in H. Della line; thence by said line south forty two perches to a post, thence north 81 degrees east two hundred and twenty five perches to a post corner in said Connor's line; thence north thirty perches to the place of beginning, containing fifty acres, be the same more or less, and part of Warrant No 281. About eight or acres improved, one frame store, one blacksmith shop, one portable saw mill building, one frame dwelling house, a good well of water, and some fruit trees thereon.

ALSO—Another lot, beginning at a post in east line of lot owned by Thos McMahon; thence east ninety four perches; thence south seventy eight perches, thence west ninety four perches, thence north seventy eight perches to the place of beginning, containing forty six and six tenths acres, more or less, and being lot No. 315 in Warrant No. 3457.

ALSO—Another lot, beginning at a post, being the southeast corner of the above described lot; thence south seventy eight perches; thence west thirty two and two tenths perches to a hemlock tree, thence north one hundred and twenty four perches to the road; thence along said road north 77 degrees west seven and four tenths perches; thence north one hundred and two perches; thence west forty six perches; thence north one hundred perches thence east ninety four perches to a post, the place of beginning, containing fifty seven and six tenths acres, and being lot No. 193, in Warrant No 3457. About eight acres improved.

Seized, and taken in execution, and will be sold as the property of James Doyle, Thos. McMahon and John McMahon at the suit of A. N. Taylor, and at the suit of H. and F. Blandy

THOS. KING, Sheriff.
Sheriff's Office, Smethport Nov. 20, 1875.

BY Virtue of a writ of Vend. Ex. issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean County, Pa. I have levied upon the following described Real Estate which I shall expose to public sale at the Court House in the Borough of Smethport, on Monday, the 20th day of Dec. A. D. 1875, at one o'clock P. M., the following described tract or parcel of land, to wit

All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of Hamlin, County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to wit: Beginning at a hemlock tree in the north line of Warrant No. 2472, and standing one hundred and forty rods west from the northeast corner of said Warrant, thence south one hundred and sixty rods to a post; thence west seventy-eight and six tenths rods to a post; thence north sixty-nine and six tenths rods to a post; thence west seventy four and seven tenths rods to a post; thence north ninety and four tenths rods to the north line of Warrant 2472 aforesaid; thence by said line east one hundred and fifty-three and three tenths rods to the place of beginning, containing one hundred and twenty-one acres, more or less.

ALSO—Another lot situate in said township to wit: Beginning at a post in centre of Marvin Creek road where the line heretofore known as the line between the Medbury and Aldrich lots, crossed said road; thence along said line west fifty one rods to a hemlock corner; thence north eighteen and five tenths rods to a post; thence south sixty nine and six tenths degrees east fifty rods to the place of beginning, containing two and nine tenths acres, more or less. Also the privilege to the small stream of water reserved by J. W. Stark, in a deed to A. T. Aldrich, dated 29th day of November, 1860, and recorded in McKean County Book K, page 287, nevertheless always excepting and reserving out of the lot first above described one-fourth of an acre heretofore conveyed by N. Medbury to Hamlin School District for School purposes. Also four and seven tenths acres heretofore conveyed by J. W. Stark to A. T. Aldrich by deed dated 29th day of March, 1860, and recorded in McKean County, Book K, page 887. Also excepting and reserving out of the lot second above described about one fourth of an acre heretofore reserved by J. W. Stark, as a grave yard, said described land being claimed by deed from J. W. Stark and wife, dated the 19th day of October, 1863, and recorded in McKean County, Book L, page 321. The whole comprising one farm of which about fifty acres are improved, one frame dwelling house, one frame barn, orchard, well and several springs of water thereon.

Seized, taken in execution, and will be sold as the property of Joseph D. Barnes, at the suit of Henry Hamlin.

THOS. KING, Sheriff.
Sheriff's Office, Smethport Nov 12, 1875.

BY VIRTUE of a writ of First Facias issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of M'Kean County, Pa., I have levied upon the following described Real Estate which I shall expose to public sale at the Court House in the Borough of Smethport, on Monday, the 20th day of Dec. A. D. 1875, at one o'clock P. M., the following described tracts or parcels of land, to wit:

All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of Liberty, County of McKean, and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to wit; Bounded on the north by lands of Ephraim Fitch and Seth A. Backus; on the east by lands of Addison J. Wheeler and A. S. Arnold; on the south by lands of James K. Moore; on the west by the Portage creek. containing two hundred and seventeen acres, more or less, being lots Nos. 112 and 144, in Warrant No. 1357; about one hundred acres improved, and having two frame barns, one frame corn house, well watered, and fruit trees thereon.

Seized, and taken into execution, and will be sold as the property of James O. White, at the suit of Dolley and Neefe.

THOS. KING, Sheriff.
Sheriff's Office, Smethport Nov. 12, 1875

Coffins and Caskets.

P. L. Webster

WOULD INFORM the citizens of Bradford and vicinity that he keeps ready made coffins, soft and hard wood caskets, etc., constantly on hand.

J. G. EATON,

DEALER IN

Heavy & Shelf Hardware,
OILS, PAINTS,
GLASS, PUTTY,
TIN & WOODEN WARE,
New Store,
Mechanic St., 2 doors south of Water
SMETHPORT, PA.

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THAT MAMMOTH STORE
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R. O. SMITH & Co. Olean, N.Y.
Is Now Full To Overflowing With All Seasonable Goods, At Lower Prices Than Ever Before Heard Of.

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BARRETT BROTHERS,
CONTRACTORS, BUILDERS, AND
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SASH, DOORS, BLINDS,
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Dressed Flooring, Ceiling, &c.
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Also Agent for the

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Latest Styles of PLATED JEWELRY
SPECTACLES & EYE GLASSES.
Gent's Shirt-studs, Sleeve-buttons, Rings, &c
CHARMS of all Descriptions.
SILVER PLATED SPOONS,
KNIVES, FORKS, CASTORS, FRUIT AND
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All of which will be sold at bottom prices for Cash

Repairing of all kinds done and warranted to give perfect satisfaction.

Orders taken for any watch made.

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NEW GOODS at A. N. TAYLOR'S!
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Having just returned from the Eastern cities, where I have purchased FOR CASH the largest stock of goods of every description ever offered for sale in this county, and having purchased my goods at very much below their value, purpose dividing the profits with my customers. Always giving the best the market affords in Seasonable Dress Goods of the newest designs and of the best quality, at as low prices as can be found in Northern Pennsylvania.

WHITE GOODS FOR LADIES AND CHILDREN'S WEAR,
in new styles, of choice quality, and at low prices.
EMBROIDERIES OF EVERY NAME AND STYLE.
PRINTS - Too numerous to mention. Warranted fast colors, for - 8c per yd.
Bleached Muslin, good yd. wide - - - - 10c per yd.
16-Bone Corsets, for .75 | 200 reversible shawls, at $2
LADIES SUITS—MADE TO ORDER.
MOURNING GOODS IN ENDLESS VARIETY:
AUSTRALIAN CRAPES, BLACK ALPACAS, COBERGS, TAMISE & MERETES CLOTHS,
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A GENUINE GEOSGRAIN SILK FOR $1 50 PER YD.
PARASOLS AND SUN UMBRELLA.

Our Notion Department
is full to overflowing, as well as all others, which can readily be seen by taking a peep inside

Clothing Department
is full, including all the novelties of the season. We have All Wool, warranted
GENTLEMEN'S SUITS, FOR $8 50. GENTS FURNISHING GOODS in every variety and style. Also the largest stock of HATS and CAPS in McKEAN COUNTY.

An immense stock of
BOOTS, SHOES, GROCERIES, CROCKERY, QUEENSWARE, TRUNKS, VALISES, DRUGS, MEDICINES, WILLOW WARE, CHROMO & OIL PAINTINGS, LADIES' HAND BASKETS, HATS, BONNETS, TRIMMINGS, FLOWERS, &c.

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Including Nails, Iron, French, German, English and American Cutlery, Saws, Oils, Paints, Farming Tools, Fishing Tackling. ☞ Nails $4 per 100 pounds.

Canned and Dried Fruits, Flour, Pork, Hams, Lard, Trout, White Fish Mackerel, beside many articles too numerous to mention, all of which will be sold at the lowest rates.

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AT
A. B. ARMSTRONG'S
LEADING DRUGSTORE OF THE COUNTY,
NO. 1, UNION BLOCK, SMETHPORT, PENNA.,

CAN BE FOUND THE BEST AND MOST COMPLETE ASSORTMENT OF DRUGS AND Medicines, and all other articles usually kept in first a class drugstore.

DRUGS, CHEMICALS, PATENT MEDICINES
PAINTS, OILS, & DYE STUFFS,
SOAPS, SPONGEs, BRUSHES, COMBS
Perfumeries, Pomades, Oils,

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AND TOILET ARTICLES OF EVERY VARIETY. WE ALSO KEEP A LARGE AND WELL Selected assortment of American and French candies, stationery, Envelopes, &c. ALL

SCHOOL BOOKS AT BOTTOM PRICES!
TOBACCO, CIGARS, PURE WINES & LIQUORS, &c. &c.
Prescriptions Carefully Prepared.

A CARD TO CLOTHING BUYERS!

We respectfully announce that our FALL AND WINTER STOCK OF GOODS is now ready for inspection. We have purchased an unusually complete stock of
MEN'S AND BOY'S CLOTHING,
FURNISHING GOODS,
and everything pertaining to a first-class Clothing Store, and propose to keep our already well earned reputation of being the leading Clothing House in this section. Come and see us,

M. LEVY & BRO.,
CLOTHING EMPORIUM.
Also stores at Hornellsville and Gowanda, N. Y. OLEAN, N. Y

J. Digel's Marble Factory.

Water Street.

Smethport, Pa.

ALL KINDS OF MONUMENTAL, MARBLE and STONE WORK DONE TO ORDER

The M'Kean Miner.

THURSDAY, DEC. 2, 1875.

Local and Miscellaneous.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

— E. V. Chadwick has received the contract for carrying the mail to and from the depot.

— Eggs are selling at thirty-five cents per dozen. It is evident that the hens are not doing their duty.

— The shining countenance of neighbor Hughes flashed along our streets for a few moments on Wednesday.

— Haley mentions "another Blair,—well" in the last Era, but does not state whether it is a flowing well or not.

— Men and teams have been busy for several days levelling up the yard and surroundings of the new jail.

— The Olean Pipe Line is completed and connected with several wells. A Pipe Line Telegraph line is being put up.

— Dr. H. L. McCoy has got fairly to living in his new house, and is as "proud" and happy as a boy with a new sled.

— The parties who have the contract of slating the roof of the new jail are expected to commence work in a few days.

— The Cattaraugus County Treasurer's Office is to be removed to Olean, and the Little Valley folks don't like it.

— The reason why Patterson can work cheaper than any other jeweler in the County is because he is capable of doing his own work.

— M. L. Armstrong spent a few days in the city last week, and now we may look out for loads of new jewelry, silver ware, toys, &c.

— The extensive dry goods store of W. T. Mosey at 270 & 272 Main street, Buffalo, closed its doors on Saturday. Liabilities about $150,000; assets supposed to be about $100,000.

— One billion one hundred and fifty-four million acres of Uncle Sam's farm are yet to be explored and surveyed. This work is progressing at the rate of 24,000,000 acres annually.

— An open-mouthed, ever shifting, never decreasing crowd can now be seen daily drinking in the wonders of M. L. Armstrong's new stock of toys. Well, they are worth looking at.

— A York servant girl fainted because she broke a teacup. In this end of the State some of her class can smash a whole set of fine chinaware, and gaze upon the ruins with imperturbable equanimity.

— There was an unusual large attendance at the M. E. Church last Sunday. We are pleased to observe that nearly all the young men of this place are getting in the habit of attending church regularly.

— Skating has commenced, and we have obituaries of most of the foolish boys and young men who recklessly risk their lives on the treacherous ice, which it will do us pleasure to publish at the proper time.

— We have got another dog, but we expect that Jim. Broder, or some other Democratic dog-fancier, will claim him after he has entwined himself around the tendrils of our heart—and eaten us out of house and home.

— You will find by going to Patterson's that he is capable of doing all kind of Watch-repairing in a neat and workmanlike manner, and furthermore uses nothing but the best of material. All work warranted to give the best of satisfaction.

— An entertainment for the benefit of the Episcopal Church will be held at Wendel & Beckwith's new hall, on Thursday evening, Dec. 9. There will be oysters, music and dancing. Also a new and striking feature — a Phantom Party.

— M. A. Sprague's agency for the Grover & Baker Sewing Machine means just this: He buys and pays for his machines, and sells them for what he has a mind to. He will therefore let you have a $65 machine for $50, which is a liberal reduction.

— Father Ryan, a Catholic priest of Noble county, Ohio, shot at and missed one of his wealthy parishioners because he joined the Grangers against his express command. He is to be tried at the next court, just as if he was an ordinary mortal. How shocking!

— Last Thursday was generally observed as a holiday by all our citizens—except the printers. An effort was made to obtain an agreement on the part of our merchants to close their stores a portion of the day. One or two refused to sign the agreement, and the effort was abandoned.

— Sam. Beckwell shot a deer the other day, or claims he did, and therefore appropriated the spoils. A couple of boys also claimed that they shot it first, and that it was their game. A law suit was the consequence, and

The deer was cut and Sam was beat.

— Fred. Douglass lectures in Olean this evening. His subject is "Our National Capital." We apprehend that we could tell some things of Our National Capital that Frederick will omit to mention. Mrs. Livermore will talk about "Superfluous Women," and Robert Collyer will deliver his new lecture entitled "Clear Grit." The subjects of the other lectures are not named.

—Mr. Nagle, a Philadelphia printer, has paid $100,000 cash for the privilege of printing and selling the centennial catalogue. They are to contain 300 pages, and are in English, French, German and Spanish. He is bound by the contract to sell them at twenty-five cents apiece. He devotes forty or fifty pages to advertisements in each edition, which will probably pay back much more than his $100,000 bonus. Millions of them will be sold of course, and he expects with the advertisements to make ten cents per book.

Coal.

Orders left at the drugstore of McCoy & Reilly for hard or soft coal in large or small quantities will receive prompt attention, as Mr. Trambower has taken up winter quarters up town.

Coming

Dr. L. M. Raab, the dentist, writes us that he will be in Port Allegany on the 14th inst. and in Smethport on the 21st inst. remaining in each place several days to attend to calls in the line of his profession.

Change of Time Tables.

The schedule of running time of trains on the B. N. Y. & Phila and the McKean & Buffalo roads was changed on Monday morning. We will publish the corrected time tables next week. Suffice it to say for the present that the afternoon train for Buffalo leaves Smethport at 2.35 p. m., connecting with the mail at Larrabees, and reaching Buffalo at 7.10. Trains leaving Buffalo at 7.20 a. m. and 4.00 p. m., connect with the McKean & Buffalo at Larrabees, reaching Smethport at 12.05 and 8.29 p. m.

BY CARD.

Ho For The Holidays!

A rare chance for Investment. I have the largest stock of Toys, Watches, Clocks, Jewelry and Silver-ware ever brought into this County, and in order to make everybody happy I am going to sell so low that I defy any man to undersell me— "C. O. D. Jewelers" to the contrary, notwithstanding.

Call and see "how it is yourself," and if goods and prices do not suit, you need not buy.

Yours as ever.
M. L. Armstrong.

School Entertainment.

To-morrow (Friday) is the closing day of the fall term of the Smethport Graded School. As we mentioned last week, the closing of the term will be celebrated by a literary entertainment given by the scholars in the evening. The preparations for the affair have been undertaken by Prof. Kales, and we have every reason to believe that the Entertainment will be well worth attending. The programme will consist of Essays, Dramas, Tableaux, Music, etc. The Smethport Cornet Band has kindly consented to add to the pleasure of the evening with their excellent music. A moderate admission fee of 25 cents will be charged to pay the necessary expenses, and the surplus will be devoted to the purchase of charts, maps and other materials for the use of the school.

Thanksgiving Day.

This annual day set apart by the civil authorities as a day of National thanksgiving and praise to the Giver of all good for the blessings of the past year, was celebrated in Smethport very much as it was in all other parts of the country. With some it was truly a day of thankful remembrance and praise; with others, and the majority, it was a pleasant day of social and family reunion; and with yet others it was a day of gluttony and carousing.

Thanksgiving services were held at the Baptist church, at which Rev. Rose preached an excellent sermon, some points of which have created considerable comment. A notable feature of the observance of the day, and one which deserves more than a passing notice, was the dinner given in honor of the Borough Council by Hon. L. Rogers and wife, all the members of the Council responding to the compliment except Mr. A. B. Armstrong, who was unable to put in an appearance. He however sent a reminder that he was with them in spirit if not in the body. The dinner was excellent, the host and hostess zealously attentive to the pleasure of their guests, the company jovially social, and for many reasons this meeting will be long remembered by the Borough Council of 1875. After the substantials were disposed of, several toasts were proposed and drank, to the health and happiness of the host and hostess, to the enterprise and progressive spirit of the present Borough Council, and to our dignified and able Burgess. The usual toasts to "The Ladies" and "The Press" were omitted, possibly because Mr. Armstrong was not present to respond to the former, and on account of the modesty of the only representative of the latter present.

A Burning Coal Mine.

For several weeks rumors have floated to our ears concerning a mine in the vicinity of Reynoldsville purporting it to be on fire, and yesterday, having a desire to learn the true state of affairs, we visited the scene. Few persons in this locality know of the mine, and no doubt hundreds will be startled at this intelligence, and the visitors to the spot from this date on will be legion. The locality of the mine is about two miles east of Reynoldsville, and a half mile south of the village of Prospect, on lands owned by the Tillton Reynolds heirs. Considerable coal was taken out of the mountain several years ago, since which time the mine has been defunct and a portion of it has fallen in, leaving cavities on the surface of the earth. Several rods back from the original opening, smoke, steam, gas and fire are coming out of the mountain, and a stream of water which finds its source in the vicinity, is almost boiling hot. A little back of the entrance to the mine the coal bed is exposed, and it is a beautiful sight to behold.

There are about three thousand acres of coal in the mountain, and the bed is twelve feet thick. Near the burning mine, about two hundred feet distant, is the opening of Mr. George Sprague, and if the coal is permitted to burn through to it human efforts will avail nothing in extinguishing the fire, and indeed, it will require thousands of dollars to attain that end even now.

It has been burning almost three months, and was ignited by a land clearing. The coal which is exposed to this fire belongs to the Tillton Reynolds heirs, Messrs. Haley, Fuller, Sprague, Brodhead Clayton Mix and others. No practical plan has yet been devised by which the fire can be extinguished.—Reynolds Herald.

— Sunday and Monday nights were rather breezy.

— The Buffalo city Treasurer has to give bonds to the amount of $350,000.

— Enterprising business men are commencing to advertise for the holiday trade.

— A good deal of sickness is reported from Alton. Scarlet fever prevails quite extensively.

— The telegraph line from here to Alton has been disconnected for a few days this week.

— Sheriff King appropriates about two columns of our paper this week. It will be read with interest—and costs.

— See Jury Lists and Trial List elsewhere in this paper. Look them over and see if you are drafted, or if your case comes on.

— J. P. Wendell announces that he will sell no more goods on credit, but for cash only. That is about the only safe way to do business.

— We are not very cowardly, but we should not care to lodge in the Court House steeple when the wind blows as it did last Sunday night.

— Victoria Woodhull, the "Queen of the Rostrum," will speak in Buffalo of "The True and False, Socially," at St. James Hall, Sunday evening.

— M. L. Armstrong will sell you a season ticket for the Olean Lecture Course, or as many as you want. For $2,00 you can get a ticket to all the six lectures.

— J. P. Wendel's store is one of the pleasantest and most comfortable places in town when lit up for the evening. We do not wonder that the boys like to loaf around there.

— If you have a clean sheet and pillow case in the house preserve them, for you may want to use them next Thursday evening. We hear some hints of a "sheet-and-pillow-case dance."

— Fred Douglass, Mrs. Livermore, Robert Collyer, Bayard Taylor, Carl Schurz and John B. Gough lecture in Olean the coming season. They are the best in the field, and our Olean friends may well congratulate themselves upon obtaining so good a list of speakers.

— Government Printer Clapp congratulates the country in his report upon the fact that work in the Government Printing Office is so well in hand that there is an early prospect of an extensive reduction of the number of employees. Small source of congratulation to the employees, we take it.

— H. H. Seymour, Esq., of Mt. Morris, well known in this section as Assistant Attorney and Secretary of the Rochester, Nunda & Pennsylvania Railroad Company, and for the past year its agent and attorney in London, England, has removed his law office to Buffalo. The Mt. Morris Union & Constitution gives him a good "send-off."

— Subscribers will do well to remember that a delay of over three months in paying their subscription in advance invariably debars them from the benefit of the 25 per cent. reduction. Remember, please, that the subscription price of the Miner is still $2,00, and $1,50 only when paid in advance. Also, bear in mind that it is not our business, or especially to our interest, to run around and notify subscribers so that they can save a half a dollar—out of our pocket.

— While the editors of the Port Allegany Reporter and the McKean Miner feel properly grateful to the editor of the Elk Democrat for his little sermon for their benefit to which he nailed his gigantic mind last week, we would respectfully suggest that the field for the gentleman's journalistic missionary labors is sufficiently large right at home to occupy his time and talents. Perhaps Parsons' victory in the personal contest commenced by Miller himself has probably discouraged the aspiring young man from farther labors in the home field, and he therefore seeks foreign conquest. Go slow, my boy, lest you get the conceit taken out of you abroad as well as at home.

Obituary.

Passed to spirit life, from his home near Cardington, Ohio, Nov. 2, 1875, JONATHAN SOUTHWICK, aged 77 years, 1 month and 4 days. He was a great sufferer the last three or four years of his life, which he bore with great patience, looking forward to the time when death would release him from his sufferings.

Deceased moved from McKean County, Pa., in the fall of 1847, with a family of seven children, of whom only two were living at the time of his death. He first settled in Marion county, and in 1866 bought a farm near Cardington, Morrow county, where he lived at the time of his death. D. E. S.

COUNTLESS SUFFERERS find the balm of relief and the fountain of their health and strength in AYER'S SARSAPARILLA. It is the most potent of all the alteratives to purify the system and cleanse the blood. It possesses invigorating qualities, so that it stimulates the faded vitalities and purges out the corruptions which mingle with the blood, promoting derangement and decay. We are assured by many intelligent physicians that this medicine cures beyond all others of its kind, and we can fortify this statement by our own experience.—[Athol (Mass.) White Flag.

A Warning.

The public are cautioned against negociating for three notes given by Mr. Walters to Mr. Leroy Young, two of $100 each and one of $28. adv 3-4t

New Patterns.

Mrs. Reynolds & Stanley, dressmakers, have just returned with all the latest styles of Fall and Winter patterns, and are prepared to do all work entrusted to them neatly and promptly. 49

A Rare Chance.

Any party wishing to purchase a complete outfit for a Barber Shop will find it to their advantage to call upon or address Alfred Sturdivant, of this place. The lot comprises a barber's chair, and other necessary furniture and fixings, and will be sold cheap. 4-3t

"Two Cases Thought To Be Consumption Cured."

Dr. Fenner's Blood and Liver Remedy and Nerve Tonic, is decidedly the best remedy for Chronic Coughs. Its recent colds and coughs his Improved Cough Honey readily cures. But in coughs and lung and throat diseases of long standing, the system must be cleansed and regulated and increased with the healing influence of the Blood Remedy. It places the system in a healing condition. Then the Improved Cough Honey, used with it, readily causes long standing coughs to yield. The following illustrates its success in severe coughs:

Woodland, Cal., June 19, 1875.
"Dr. M. M. Fenner, Fredonia, N. Y.—Dear Sir.—Please send me 3 doz. Blood and Liver Remedy and Nerve Tonic. I have cured two cases that were called consumption of an aggravated type, here, with it. I use your Improved Cough Honey with it in these cures.
P. CRANDALL."

For sale by dealers in medicine, and by A. B. Armstrong & co., agts for Smethport. Ask for a circular entitled Peoples Remedies.

MARRIED.

On Tuesday Nov. 30, 1875, by Rev. J. L. Landis, of Franklinville, N. Y., at the residence of F. H. Arnold, Esq., Port Allegany, Pa., Mr SETH G. ROWLEY, of Middleport, Niagara Co., N. Y., and Miss NEVADA J. HOLMES, of Port Allegany.

List of Jurors. Dec. Term, 1875.

LIST OF TRAVERSE JURORS drawn for Dec. Term, 1875:

Annin.—James Crimmins, Edward Kelley, Eugene Cooney, M. B. Gleason, Darius Simpson, F. F. Bishop.
Bradford Township.—Robert McMurray.
Bradford Borough.—Enos Parsons, J. R. Pomeroy, Ezra Holmes.
Ceres.—John Frugan, G. N. Hackett, James Higgins, Harris Scott.
Corydon.—C. L. Knapp, George Johnson, J. B. Davidson.
Eldred.—S. G. Lamphere, Fred Zimmer, Geo. F. Beers.
Hamlin.—M. E. Childs, Wm. Fields.
Keating.—Moses Shattuck, Wm. H. Curtis, S. P. Beckwith, Edward Kelley, Wm. Pratt.
Lafayette.—L. W. Crawford, John Hoop, Isin Bartholomew.
Liberty.—Samuel Cole, Wm. C. Medbury, John Weir, Charles Burr, Charles Bishop, Patrick Bacon, Wm. Pelton.
Norwich.—Wm. Hinneman, A. L. Bigg, S. W. Evens.
Smethport.—D. L. Forsyth, Hugh Glenn.
Wetmore.—John W. Briggs, F. J. Glatt, James Clark, John Crowley, O. D. Coleman, James Hyde.

LIST OF GRAND JURORS drawn for December Term, 1875:

Annin.—Thos. Fitzsimmons, Wm. Splain.
Bradford.—P. M. Fuller.
Bradford Borough.—J. W. Brennan, A. C. Sweitzer.
Ceres.—W. H. Morse, G. B. Gillett.
Eldred.—J. S. Shiver, Jerome Curtis, O S. Carpenter, Almon Carpenter.
Hamlin.—John Hafner.
Keating.—Matthias Otto, D. D. Comes, Henry Morse, Bruce Robbins.
Lafayette.—James Hoop.
Liberty.—Miles White.
Norwich.—J. Colegrove.
Otto.—Jacob Failing.
Sergeant.—D. W. Howard.
Wetmore.—John Springer, Thos. McTyge, Augustus Munson.

Trial List—Dec. Term, 1875.

LIST OF CAUSES put down for trial at the December term, 1875.

J S Blair et al. vs J F Clark, 65 June T, 1870.
J F Clark vs A T Newell, 63 Feb'y T, 1871.
Ghordis Corwin vs L W Crawford, 57 Sept T, 1872.
James Newell vs Jos DeLong, 257 June T 1873.
Rebecca Ferris vs Jane Baylan, et al. 122, Sept T, 1874.
Wm S Browncell & Wm Hashill vs Lawrence Boyer, et al, 107 Sept, 1874.
James H Wright vs Gardner Chapel, 197, Sept, T. 1874.
Philo Ackley, Guardian vs Jas M & Geo M Welch, 205, Sept. T. 1874.
Horace Little, Ex. of Dan'l Kingsbury dec'd, vs Jos F Clark, 181, Dec. T, 1874.
F Butterman, Assignee of Jas H Dunn vs Andrew Diffinbacher & Jemimay Diffinbacher, 120, Dec. 1874.
Michael J Flannegan vs Patrick Flannegan, 56, June T, 1875.
Horace Little, Ex. of Dan'l Kingsbury dec'd vs Augustus W Newell, 79, June T, 1875.
D L Forsythe vs B B Train and A N Taylor, terre tenant, 116, June T, 1875.
D D Colmes vs same, 117, June T, 1875.
H S Morris, vendee of H B Fobes, et al, vs M F Parshall & Alford & Johnson, terre tenants, 232, June T, 1875.
John Trotton vs Luther Gorden, 6, Sept T, 1875.

M. A. SPRAGUE, Prothonotary.

Court Proclamation.

WHEREAS, the Hon. HENRY W. WILLIAMS President Judge and the Hons. W. S. BROWNELL and LOYAL WARD, Associate Judges of the courts of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery, Quarter Sessions of the Peace, Orphans' Court and Court of Common Pleas for the County of M'Kean have issued their precept, bearing date Friday, Oct. 1, A. D. 1875, and to me directed, for holding a Court of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery, Quarter Sessions of the Peace, Orphans' Court and Court of Common Pleas, in the Borough of Smethport, on Monday, the 20th day of next, Dec., and to continue one week.

Notice is therefore hereby given to the Coroners, Justices of the Peace and Constables within the county that they be then and there in their proper persons at 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, with their rolls records, inquisitions, examinations, and other remembrances, to do those things which their offices appertain to be done. And those who are bound by their recognizances to prosecute the prisoners that are or shall be in the jail of said county of M'Kean, are to be then and there to prosecute against them as will be just.

Dated at Smethport, Dec. 2, 1875, and the 99th year of the Independence of the United States of America. THOS. KING, Sheriff.

J. P. WENDEL,

Dealer in

FINE GROCERIES

AND

PROVISIONS,

FLOUR, PORK, LARD,

SALT, AND FISH,

Selected

TEAS.

Pure

COFFEES and SPICES.

FOREIGN & DOMESTIC FRUITS.

And a variety of all other goods usually kept in a First Class Store.

Main st. Smethport, Pa.

S. R. Smith,

Dealer in

DRY GOODS

AND

Groceries.

At Hamlin Station,

Respectfully solicits a share of public patronage.

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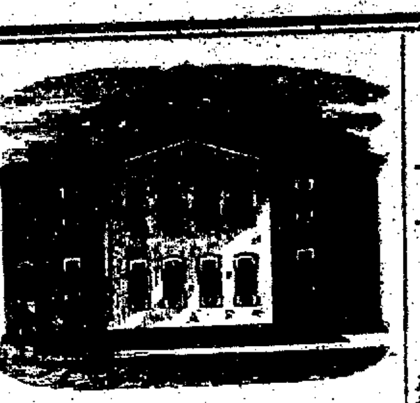

SMETHPORT

GRADED SCHOOL.

Present Term will close

December 3, 1875.

The Winter Term Commences

Wed December 22, 1875

J. W. Kales, Principal.

F. MULLIN, Jr.

WHOLESALE DEALER IN

WINES,

LIQUORS,

& SEGARS.

PORT ALLEGANY, PA.

SAW & PLANING MILL.

I WISH to give notice through the columns of the Miner that I am prepared to

Plane & Match Lumber

in the most approved manner, at my SAW and PLANING MILL in Bobtown (an adjunct of Smethport;) and am also prepared to

Saw Bills at Short Notice.

I only ask for a reasonable portion of the patronage of Potatoe and Marvin Creek Valleys.

L. Rogers.

Smethport, Sept. 9, 1875—tf.

PATTERSON.

ELGIN WATCHES
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J. H. PATTERSON,

JEWELER.

Having established a Jewelry store in the Mann Building would solicit the patronage of the public. All kinds of work done in the best style and at reasonable prices.

May 13, 1875.

Ayer's

Hair Vigor,

For restoring Gray Hair to its natural Vitality and Color.

A dressing which is at once agreeable, healthy, and effectual for preserving the hair. *Faded or gray hair is soon restored to its original color, with the gloss and freshness of youth.* Thin hair is thickened, falling hair checked, and baldness often, though not always, cured by its use. Nothing can restore the hair where the follicles are destroyed, or the glands atrophied and decayed. But such as remain can be saved for usefulness by this application. Instead of fouling the hair with a pasty sediment, it will keep it clean and vigorous. Its occasional use will prevent the hair from turning gray or falling off, and consequently prevent baldness. Free from those deleterious substances which make some preparations dangerous, and injurious to the hair, the Vigor can only benefit but not harm it. If wanted merely for a

HAIR DRESSING,

nothing else can be found so desirable. Containing neither oil nor dye, it does not soil white cambric, and yet lasts long on the hair, giving it a rich, glossy lustre and a grateful perfume.

Prepared by Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co.,

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Hotel for Sale.

THE BENNETT HOUSE,

IN SMETHPORT, PA., is offered for sale. This Hotel is located at the County seat of McKean County, and is the best hotel property in the county. It will be sold at a reasonable price and upon easy terms. Any one wishing to purchase a Hotel property will do well to examine it. For any further information, call upon or address the proprietor.

WM. HASKELL,

Smethport, April 2, 1875.

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Chalk
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Subpœna in Divorce.

MARY E. KELLY, by her next friend Wm. Talbot vs BENJAMIN F. KELLY. In the Court of Common Pleas of McKean County, February Term, 1876. No. 136.

The Respondent in the above entitled case is hereby notified to appear before the Judges of our said Court, at the Court House in Smethport, on Monday, the 20th day of December next, to show cause, if any you have, why a divorce from the bonds of matrimony should not be granted the libellant, agreeable to the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

THOS. KING, Sheriff.

Smethport, Nov. 11, 1875—4t

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It is not too late to fix the pump and water-works so that they will not freeze and cause you great trouble and loss; to bank up the house or pile some hemlock boughs about it and thereby save your potatoes and apples; to put in the light of glass that was broken last summer and nail a strip of board over each crack in the barn, and thereby save fodder and add to the comfort of your stock, to fix a warm place for the hens to roost away from the cattle, horses and hogs, to procure bedding for your stock and hogs and increase your manure pile by taking into the barn the bushels of fallen leaves which are within easy reach, to clear the garden of the old pea brush and bean poles, and get it ready to plow in the spring, to pick up a cord or two of old boards and sticks which are kicking round the premises and take them to the woodshed for kindling, to put the bars and gates in position so the snow will not crush them, to take down and prune the grapevines, to mend the stable floor and hunt up the ox-chains, to build a rack to feed the sheep in; to see that the drains to the cellar and barnyard are clear and will not clog up and bother when the cold weather comes; to build (if you have not a barn cellar) a rough shed over the manure pile; to get a bit of mortar and point up the cellar wall where the rats and other causes have made holes in the wall; to sort the apples and get them down cellar before they freeze; to hunt up and house all the farming tools which you own; to put a salt trough where it will be within daily reach of all your stock; to sort the sheep and sell or skin the pelters; to patch the shed roof where the shingles are off; to make the corn barn rat-proof; to make a few good meal and feed boxes; to build a high fence on the north and west sides of the barnyard, if it is an exposed one, and do just about a hundred other similar things which need to be done before winter sets in. If your cellar does not freeze, put your apples in the coolest and airiest part of it—they will keep much longer; warm, damp cellars are fatal to fruit. Don't undertake to winter a hundred sheep in one pen, they will do much better in three or four flocks. Put those of nearly the same age, size and strength together.

Household Hints.

JARS.—To clean the insides of jars, fill them with water, stir in a spoonful or more of pearl-ash; empty them in an hour, and if not clean fill them again, and let them stand several hours. For large-sized jars lye is excellent.

FRIED MACKEREL.—For frying, take small mackerel, as fresh as possible. Wash them, dry them in a clean cloth, and score them deeply in the back, making several deep cuts. Season them with a little salt and pepper. Go over them with beaten egg, and then cover them thickly with grated bread crumbs. Fry them in boiling lard and dish them hot.

BROILED MACKEREL.—Split your mackerel, remove the bone, and cut off the heads and tails. Dredge them on both sides with flour, and sprinkle the inside with black pepper and a little salt. Have your gridiron very hot, over a clear fire, and grease the bars with lard, or chalk them to prevent the fish from sticking. Broil them well on both sides, and when they are done, and very hot, lay some bits of fresh butter upon them. Cover to keep them warm, and send them to table as soon as possible. For sauce, cold butter is all that is necessary, but you may mix with it chopped parsley, or minced fennel.

EGG SAUCE.—Boil four eggs from eight to twelve minutes. Then lay them in a pan of fresh water, and let them remain till quite cold. Peel off the shells, and take out the eggs. Chop the yolks and whites separately; mix them lightly into half a pint of melted fresh butter, made in the proportion of a quarter of a pound of butter to two large tablespoonfuls of flour, and four of milk and hot water. Add some powdered mace, or nutmeg. Egg sauce is eaten with boiled fish and poultry. Instead of milk or water, you can use, for melted butter, some of the water in which chicken or turkey was boiled, or some veal gravy.

STEWED CODFISH.—Take fine fresh cod, and cut into slices an inch thick, separate from the bones. Lay the pieces of fish in the bottom of a stewpan; season them with grated nutmeg; half a dozen blades of mace; a half-spoonful of cayenne pepper, and a small saucer full of chopped celery; or a bunch of sweet herbs tied together. Add a pint of oyster liquor, and the juice of a lemon. Cover it close, and let it stew gently till the fish is almost done, shaking the pan frequently. Then take a piece of fresh butter the size of an egg; roll it in flour, and add it to the stew. Also, put in two dozen fine large oysters, with what liquor there is about them. Cover it again; quicken the fire a little, and let the whole continue to stew five minutes longer. Before you send it to table, remove the bunch of sweet herbs.

Treatment of Sore Throat.

In cases of ordinary sore throat, the simplest and best treatment is the wet pack, using a linen cloth wrung from cold water, and over this a knit or crocheted yarn band, four feet long and four inches wide. Apply this two or three nights in succession, unless it is a very serious case, when the pack should be kept on during the day. If taken off in the morning, wash the throat in very cold water, and rub dry with a coarse towel and with the hand. This will prevent taking more cold. The more friction used the better; let it be a sort of squeezing of the parts so as to affect the deep-seated tissues. Sore throats may be prevented by these means from becoming chronic.

It matters not how a man dies, but how he lives.

A PHRENOLOGIST'S STORY.

Incidents of the Famous Colt Murder Case in New York Many Years Ago.

Lately several stories have been published relating to Colt, the murderer of Adams, in New York, and calling to mind the old time tragedy. A well known phrenologist writes to the *Sun* some interesting details of the affair which, in its day, created so great a sensation and which has still attached to it no slight interest. The writer says: One day while in my office in New York a stranger called and asked me to sell him one of my packing cases that stood outside near the door. Noticing a large collection of skulls in my office, he said he was not a believer in phrenology, but would like me to give him some proof of its principles. He requested me to tell him the leading traits of his character. He took a seat in the chair and I proceeded to examine his head. Placing my fingers on his head to determine the size of his organs, I perceived a great difference in the relative heat of the different portions of his head. So I abstractly remarked: "I judge you are trying to get out of some scrape." His features assumed an alarming expression, and he asked: "Why do you say so?" I told him that his organs of fear, commonly called cautiousness, secretiveness, and constructiveness, were much warmer than the other organs, or parts of his brain. He sprang to his feet and paced to and fro, looking at the floor and at every corner of my office. He then stopped suddenly, and taking up the skull of a pirate whose organ of destructiveness stood out like the big end of an egg, he asked me what organ that was. I told him the character of the man. He said: "If that man acted from organization, how could he be held responsible hereafter?" I replied that malproportion was an evil which punished others and brought punishment upon themselves.

This led to further conversation. He became quieter, sat down again, and I proceeded to finish the examination of his head. I told him he had a sanguineous, passionate temperament, with large self esteem, love of approbation, and destructiveness, which greatly dominated over his cautiousness and mercifulness, or benevolence; that should any one offend his pride, he would be apt, at the impulse of the moment, to strike him a death blow. I advised him to use his large firmness to conquer his passion. He told me that all his family inherited similar traits of character, and that his brother was Col. Colt, the inventor of the revolver. By his card, which he handed me, I noticed he had an office in the same building.

About two weeks afterward there was a rumor that a murder had been committed in the building. Being busy with my own affairs, it never occurred to me that the man whose head I had examined was the one who committed the murder. In the meantime I moved my office into the basement of the building, and the affair passed out of my mind entirely.

When the trial was published in pamphlet form I bought it, thinking that, perhaps, the skull of the murderer would come into my possession, for I was then warden of the New York Phrenological Society. Judge of my surprise when I found that the murderer was the man who had called to purchase a box of me, and whose head I examined.

Colt had a work on arithmetic printed by Adams, whom he promised to pay some money within a specified time. Adams called to collect the money, but Colt failed to accomplish what he promised. This led to the difficulty between them. Adams, whose skull I afterward examined, had very small self-esteem, large acquisitiveness, and fear or cautiousness—the very opposite to that of Colt the murderer. Such an organization never could appreciate or sympathize with Colt. Failing to pay him, Colt apologized for being compelled to disappoint him. Adams, in reply, made some uncomplimentary remarks that called Colt to the very quick. Feeling his pride wounded, he seized a hatchet and threw it at Adams' head and broke his skull. The body fell against the folding door that separated Colt's and Wheeler's offices. Colt, fearing that Adams might groan, struck him another blow on the head, breaking the skull in completely. Adams was missed; search was made after him, and his friends finally traced him to Colt's office. Upon inquiry at Wheeler's, it was ascertained that a fall was heard in Colt's office, and a box was shipped by him to some place out of town. The cartman was advertised for and found. He had carted the box to a vessel bound for the South. The box was recovered, and the body in it identified as that of the missing man, Adams. Colt was tried, convicted, and sentenced to be hanged.

Every effort was afterward made to procure Colt's pardon of the governor. It was rumored that the Tombs, in which Colt was confined, had been set on fire, and during the excitement a dead body from the almshouse was smuggled into his cell. The report made public at the time was that Colt had committed suicide! But it was generally suspected that he escaped at the time of the fire.

Opposed as I was to capital punishment, I called on Gov. Seward, before Colt escaped, and related the circumstance to the governor, of the visit I had from Colt at my office, and his earnest determination to promulgate the truth of phrenology. I argued that Colt was but a creature of organization and circumstances, and capital punishment would not remedy the evil. I spoke of a higher law—a phrase which Gov. Seward used frequently afterward—but while admitting and believing in a higher law, the governor said: "I am a servant of the people, and have to obey and carry out the laws of the State." He declined to commute Colt's sentence, and I returned to New York.

An exchange says that, amid the general reduction of wages in these times, there is one thing whose wages is not in the least reduced, and that is sin.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

What is Doing in the Old World and the New.

According to the report of the comptroller of the currency the resources of the national banks on the first of October were $1,882,-220,307.62 ...... A switch having carelessly been left open on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, near Piedmont, W. Va., a passenger train ran into a number of freight cars, and was thrown down an embankment, a number of persons being injured ..... An earthquake shock at Knoxville, Tenn., caused buildings to sway from west to east ... The loss of life by the Belgian coal mine explosion is far greater than at first reported, forty-two bodies having been taken out ... A fire at Glasgow, Scotland, destroyed the cotton mills of Robertson & Co. and Young & Co., causing a loss of $1,500,000, and throwing twelve hundred hands out of work... It now appears that the lost steamer Pacific ran into the sailing vessel Orpheus, which was afterward beached on an island near by, to which the crew escaped, and from which they were rescued by a revenue cutter. The captain states that he saw the Pacific passing toward him, and endeavored to avoid a collision, but was unable to do so, that he called to the steamer for help after having been struck, but could see no one on her deck ... An incendiary fire destroyed nearly half of the city of Ellsworth, Kansas. The flames, owing to a gale of wind, swept everything in their way, and nearly all the buildings on the south side of Main street were burned ... A colored girl was shot and killed by a rejected suitor at St. Mary, Mo. The murderer escaped.

The ship Calcutta from Quebec to Liverpool, deal laden, was wrecked on Grosse Isle, near Newfoundland, and twenty-two of the crew and a lady passenger were drowned. The captain, three men and a boy were saved.. A force of three hundred troops garrisons the British residency at Perak, Malaya. The Sultan Abdullah is friendly to the British. It is now thought that the murder of Mr. Birch, the British resident, was unpremeditated. The Malays, however, are arming defensively. Governor Jervois is preparing for military operations ... The President has appointed T. C. Woodward, of Iowa, to be examiner-in-chief of the patent office, vice Hopkins, resigned. ... All hope of hearing any of the passengers or crew of the steamer Waco, burned in Galveston harbor, is now dissipated, and it is conceded that all hands were burned to death or drowned... A tidal wave, ten feet high, swept up the Parret river, Somersetshire, England, and caused much damage to vessels and property with water frontage.

Owen Marshall, residing in Stoughton, Mass., shot and probably fatally wounded his wife. He had been married three months, and is said to have been jealous of a fireman on a railroad, whom he had charged with improper relations with his wife. ... The cotton crop is nearly all harvested, and the yield is above the average ... Sixteen families at Rahway, N. J., were poisoned by eating of a cheese, which is supposed to have been pressed in a copper press. None of the cases terminated fatally.

A recent tide in the Thames river, England, was the highest on record, and Greenwich and the lowlands were partially inundated, the damage being estimated at $5,000,000. ... The British ship Aristida, from London for this country, was lost off Boulogne, and nine of the crew drowned ... Joseph H. Sadler has retained the rowing championship of England, by beating R. W. Boyd, in a four-mile contest. ... The State officers of South Carolina deny the there is any likelihood of that State repudiating her bonds. .. A grand jury at Brownsville, Tex., found eighty indictments against Mexican bandits, and urge decisive action on the part of the State and general government to punish the criminals and protect the inhabitants. The jury state that 120,-000 head of stolen cattle are driven annually into Mexico, and that the American rancheros on the 60,000 square miles between Brownsville and the Pecos river have been ordered by the banditti to vacate on pain of death ... The secretary of the treasury has ordered the redemption of $12,735,000 of five-twenty bonds of 1864, and also $3,021,600 of five-twenty bonds of June 30, 1864, and $1,475,400 of March 3, 1864 .....John Costello, of Troy, N. Y., while intoxicated, quarreled with his wife and threw a lighted kerosene lamp at her. The lamp broke, covering her clothing with oil, and she was instantly in flames, from the effects of which she died. The husband was arrested ... The brig Hermo from Newfoundland for France, was capsized at sea, and thirteen passengers and two of the crew drowned ... The commissioner of internal revenue recommends the taxation of all sums over $500 deposited in the savings banks.

A dispatch from Tucson, Arizona, reports a fight between the revolutionists and government troops at Altar, in Sonora, Mexico, in which the latter were defeated with six killed and a number wounded and taken prisoners. ...After six years' contention, the interment of Mr. Guibord's remains in the lot he owned in the Roman Catholic cemetery near Montreal was peacefully accomplished. The military and police force, armed with repeating rifles, maintained order throughout, and enabled Mr. Doutre and his associates to carry the decree of the privy council into effect....The market for printed cloths having fallen off, the manufacturers have appointed a committee to visit England and make arrangements for the goods being shipped to that country; also agreed to decrease all salaries ten per cent.... Orrin Marshall, who shot his wife at Stoughton, Mass., and was afterward missing, was subsequently found dead in Boston, where he engaged a room two days after the murder. He shot himself through the brain ... Eighteen Mormons, living at Franklin, Idaho, have been indicted for polygamy. .. By a fire at the town of Irwins, Penn., fourteen buildings, ten of which were occupied as stores, were destroyed. The losses on the stocks and the buildings will reach $50,000, covered by insurance.

Don Carlos, in his letter to King Alfonso, says that the attitude of President Grant is a prelude to war between Spain and the United States if Alfonso does not recognize Cuba, and proposes a truce and united action in the defense of Spanish territory.. .... The principal iron manufacturers of Leeds, England, have discharged between two thousand and three thousand operatives on account of the dullness of trade ..... The report of the chief of the navy bureau of construction shows that while we lack the heavy sea-going vessels of foreign navies, our navy will compare favorably with that of any government as far as efficiency and discipline are concerned..... The monument to Edgar Allen Poe, erected with the proceeds of many years' collections, was unveiled at Baltimore with great enthusiasm ...... Mark M. Pomeroy (Brick) has gone into bankruptcy. His liabilities amount to $140,000, and there are no assets ..... Julian Kennedy, of Yale College, has beaten Bainbridge, the champion amateur oarsman, in a two-mile race Time, 14.56¼.....The body of Mrs. Mary Bross was found terribly burned near the burning residence of Mrs. Lowder, in Jackson, Ohio. As her head was fractured it is believed that she was assaulted in the house (of which she was an inmate), and that the residence was then fired to conceal the crime. She had evidently crawled out of the house after receiving the wound, but her clothes being on fire, she perished in attempting to escape.....The official returns of the vote of New York State for secretary of State, gives the Democratic candidate, Bigelow, 390,??? votes, against 376,503 for Seward. Total vote in 1875, 783,616; Bigelow's majority, 14,608. The total vote in 1873 was 672,120.

The Spanish government has conceded that in future American citizens on trial before a court-martial in Cuba shall have the privilege of selecting counsel for defense.....Two trains came in collision on the Pittsburg, Cincinnati and St. Louis railroad, near Dennison, Ohio, whereby three men were killed and several others seriously wounded .....The majority for the ratification of a new Alabama constitution will be between fifty thousand and sixty thousand ......A conspiracy to seize the arsenal and burn the town of Rangoon, Burmah, has been discovered by the authorities. ... A match for $5,000 a side has been made between Tom Allen and Jim Mace, to come off on the twentieth of May next....City Marshal Brown, of Cuero, Texas, who arrested the noted murderer Taylor, was killed by five of Taylor's friends in a saloon in that place. His body was riddled with bullets. One other man was killed and another wounded at the same time ..On account of the recent floods, the English sanitary authorities have declared a district of Bristol, with a population of six thousand souls, unfit for habitation until midsummer. Thousands of acres in the valley of the Trent will probably remain under water throughout the winter ... Treasurer New has recently been obliged to make good $3,000 stolen by some of his subordinates.. The new law requiring superintendents of almshouses to take a minute description of tramps, is regarded favorably, as the tramps are already thinning out under it ..The ferryboat D. R. Martin was discovered to be on fire shortly after leaving her New York dock for Staten Island, and was run ashore and her passengers taken off in small boats .. A house at Craigvale, Ont., occupied by Dennis Cunningham was destroyed by fire, and four children perished in the flames. Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham narrowly escaped with their lives. .. .Chief-Justice White, of Utah, has decided that the commitment of Brigham Young is illegal, and he has consequently been discharged.

Keeping Ice Without an Ice House.

Ice houses are not difficult structures to build, and we presume that few farms are without them. There are cases, however, when it is desirable to stow away a larger quantity of ice than the receptacle will contain, and when the former is unwilling to go to the expense of a house which he might utilize only for a single season. In such instances, as well as those where the ice house is absent altogether, the following plan for storing ice without an ice house will prove useful:

The first thing to be done is to select a shady spot, on the north side, if possible, of a clump of trees. Throw up a circular mound, some twelve inches in height and at least fifteen feet in diameter, flattening the summit carefully, and leaving a trench around the eminence, two feet in width and eighteen inches in depth. In gathering the ice, there is no necessity of cutting into uniform shape, or of seeking large pieces. Fill up the carts with any kind of fragments, transport them to the mound, and dump them on a platform made of a few planks. Ram the surface of the mound hard and firm, cover with sawdust, and then place the first layer of ice, which should previously be cracked into small pieces, for which purpose the men should be provided with wooden mallets. As each layer is put on the stack, the ice should be thoroughly pounded both above and at the sides so as to form a huge block of ice, the shape of which will be slightly conical.

When the stack is completed, it will require two coverings of straw, one lying upon the ice and the other supported on a wooden framework about eighteen inches outside the first covering.

The layer of straw next the ice must be well beaten and flattened down upon it, and when this is done be twelve inches in thickness. The framework, upon which a similar thickness of straw is placed, may be formed by inserting stout larch or other poles of a suitable length round the base in a slanting direction, so that they can be readily brought together at the top, and securely fastened with stout cord. From six to eight of these will, when joined together by means of strips of wood fixed about twelve inches apart, afford ample support for the second covering of the straw. This must be put on nicely, so as to prevent the possibility of the rain's penetrating to the inner covering. By this arrangement there will be a body of air, which is one of the most effectual non-conductors known, between the two coverings of straw. To effect a change of the inclosed air, when rendered needful by its becoming charged with the moisture arising from the melted ice, a piece of iron or earthenware piping a few inches in diameter should be fixed near the apex, one being just above the straw, and the other end reaching into the inclosed space. The pipe can be readily opened or stopped up, as may appear necessary, but as a rule it will suffice to open the pipe once a week, and allow it to remain open for about two hours. This should be done early in the morning, as the air is then much cooler than during the day or the evening.

In removing ice from the stack, the early morning should be taken advantage of, because of the waste which must naturally ensue from a rush of warm air at midday. That removed can be placed in a cellar, or even an outhouse and be enveloped in sawdust until required. The ice must be taken from the top; and when the first supply is obtained, a good quantity of dry sawdust should be placed over the crown. The principal points to avoid waste are to ventilate in the manner indicated, to avoid opening the stack more frequently than is really necessary, and to take the supply early in the day, before the air has been warmed by the sun.

DEATH ROLL.—People are frequently surprised, while reading advertisements of deaths, at the number of persons who die at advanced years. In the death column of the New York *Herald* for one day the average age at death of twenty-six persons was as follows: 28 years, 6 months, 21 days, 18 hours, 27 minutes, 41 7 20 seconds.

Why should any one buy a soap half resin or clay, when Dobbins' Electric Soap (made by Cragin & Co., Phila.) is for sale? It costs but a trifle more and will go five times as far. Try it.

Butter and cheese are almost indispensable articles of food. Properly used, they are nutritious and healthy; but an inordinate use of either causes indigestion and dyspepsia. *Parsons' Purgative Pills*, judiciously used, will remove both of these troubles.—*Com.*

Have you ague in the face; and is it badly swollen? Have you severe pain in the chest, back or side? Have you cramps or pains in the stomach or bowels? Have you bilious colic or severe griping pains? If so, use *Johnson's Anodyne Liniment* internally.—*Com.*

Burnett's Cocoaine, for promoting the growth of, and beautifying the hair, and rendering it dark and glossy. The Cocoaine holds, in a liquid form, a large proportion of deodorized cocoanut oil, prepared expressly for this purpose. No other compound possesses the peculiar properties which so exactly suit the various conditions of the human hair.—*Com.*

To the weak, the worn and the weary, the editor of the Boston *Recorder* says: "We can most unhesitatingly recommend the Peruvian Syrup, a protected solution of the protoxide of iron, to all the weak, the worn, and the weary, having richly experienced its benefits. It possesses all the qualities claimed for it by its proprietors."—*Com.*

SCHENCK'S PULMONIC SYRUP, FOR THE CURE OF CONSUMPTION, COUGHS AND COLDS.

The great virtue of this medicine is that it ripens the matter and throws it out of the system, purifies the blood, and thus effects a cure.

SCHENCK'S SEA WEED TONIC, FOR THE CURE OF DYSPEPSIA, INDIGESTION, ETC.

The Tonic produces a healthy action of the stomach, creating an appetite, forming chyle, and curing the most obstinate cases of Indigestion.

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